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COMMENTS INVITED ON APPLICATION OF TIME WARNER CABLE INFORMATION SERVICES (TEXAS), L.P. TO DISCONTINUE DOMESTIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

WC Docket No. 05-127 Comp. Pol. File No. 702

Comments Due: April 4, 2005

Section 214 Application

Applicant: Time Warner Cable Information Services (Texas), L.P.

On March 8, 2005, Time Warner Cable Information Services (Texas), L.P. (TWCIS or Applicant), located at 290 Harbor Drive, Stamford, CT 06902, filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) requesting authority, under section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue the provision of circuit switched local exchange and toll services to a small number of customers in Leander, Texas.

In its application, TWCIS indicates that it currently provides circuit switched local exchange and toll services via facilities it acquired from Central Texas Technologies, L.P. (CTT) in 2004. TWCIS states that it seeks to discontinue its provision of circuit switched services to 63 former CTT residential customers located in the Crystal Falls development in Leander, Texas. According to TWCIS, its long term plan has always been to migrate customers to its new Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP)—based "Digital Phone" service. Consistent with prior statements, however, TWCIS states that no former CTT customers will be required to switch to its Digital Phone service. TWCIS further states that it will continue to provide the service previously provided by CTT in Kyle, Texas. TWCIS indicates that if authority for the proposed discontinuance is granted, all affected customers will still have access to comparable domestic telecommunications services including TWCIS's Digital Phone service, as well as the services of another circuit switched local exchange carrier, SBC. TWCIS states that it notified all affected customers of the proposed discontinuance and the availability of alternate services by letter on February 16, 2005.

In accordance with section 63.71(c) of the Commission's rules, TWCIS's application will be deemed to be granted automatically on the thirty-first (31st) day after the release date of this public notice, unless the Commission notifies TWCIS that the grant will not be automatically effective. Accordingly, pursuant to section 63.71(c), absent further Commission action, TWCIS may not terminate service until April 21, 2005. The Commission will normally authorize proposed discontinuances of service unless it is shown that customers or other end users would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier, or that the public convenience and necessity would otherwise be adversely affected.

This proceeding is considered a "permit but disclose" proceeding for purposes of the Commission's *ex parte* rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200-1.1216. Comments objecting to this application must be filed with the Commission on or before **April 4, 2005**. Such comments should refer to **WC Docket No. 05-127 and Comp. Pol. File No. 702.** Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance on the commenter, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. *See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (1998). Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the subject line "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.

Parties who choose to file by paper must send an original and four (4) copies of the comments to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554. Two (2) copies of the comments should also be sent to the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-C327, Washington, D.C. 20554, Attention: Carmell Weathers. In addition, comments should be served upon the Applicant. Commenters are also requested to fax their comments to the FCC at (202) 418-2345, Attention: Carmell Weathers.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). The Commission's contractor, Natek, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

The application will be available for review and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-A257, Washington, D.C. 20554, (202) 418-0270. A copy of the application may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554, telephone (202) 488-5300, facsimile (202) 488-5563, or via e-mail at FCC@BCPIWEB.COM.

For further information, contact Carmell Weathers, (202) 418-2325 (voice), carmell.weathers@fcc.gov, or Rodney McDonald, (202) 418-7513 (voice), rodney.mcdonald@fcc.gov of the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau. The TTY number is (202) 418-0484. For further information on procedures regarding section 214 please visit http://www.fcc.gov/wcb/cpd/other-adjud.

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